Dear Fellow Researcher,

In his interesting book, Break-ins, Death Threats and the F.B.I.: The Covert War Against the Central America Movement Ross Gelbspan includes the following chilling testimony from the Iran-Contra Committee:

> Brooks: "Col. North, in your work at the NSC, were you not assigned, at one time, to work on plans for the continuity of government in the event of a major disaster?"
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> Sen. Daniel Inouye (Co-chair): "I believe that question touches upon a highly sensitive and classified area so may I request that you not touch upon that."
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> Brooks: "I was particularly concerned, Mr. Chairman, because I read in the Miami papers and several others that there had been a plan developed, by that same agency, a contingency plan in the event of an emergency that would suspend the American Constitution. And I was deeply concerned about it and wondered if that was the area in which (North) had worked. I believe that it was, and I wanted to get his confirmation."
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> Inouye: "May I most respectfully request that that matter not be touched upon at this stage. If we wish to get into this, I'm certain arrangements can be made for an executive session.".

A plan to suspend the American Constitution is no small thing! Yet nowhere in Iran-Contra--The Final Report by the independent counsel, Lawrence E. Walsh, does this subject appear!

A colleague informs me that the government printing office "final" report of over twenty-five hundred pages is also eloquently silent of such a trivial plan as one which "suspends the American Constitution"!

As a scholar and an expert on this and related subjects, I was writing you to learn more about this "plan".

"The nation" wisely quotes the old soviet aphorism: "The past is more difficult to predict than the future." Unless we understand to past, the present and the future are beyond understanding.

I would deeply appreciate any information or source material you can give me.

Thank you for your cooperation and long efforts to search out historical truth.

Sincerely,

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